## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## LISTING OF CLAIMS:

(currently amended) A silicon containing curing composition comprising:

at least one silicon containing polymer selected from the group consisting of: component (A), component (B), and component (C), provided that the composition contains both the components (A) and (B) when the component (C) is absent; and

component (D) a catalyst,

wherein,

 $\mbox{component (A) is a silicon containing polymer, which} \\ \mbox{comprises:} \\$ 

at least one kind of a reactive group A' selected from the group consisting of  $Si-R^1$ ,  $Si-O-R^2$ , and  $Si-R^3-OCOC(R^4)=CH_2$ , wherein  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  each represent an alkenyl group having 2 to 20 carbon atoms which may contain an alkylene group and/or an arylene group,  $R^3$  represents an alkylene group having 1 to 9 carbon atoms and/or an arylene group, and  $R^4$  represents hydrogen or a methyl group,

an Si-O-Si bridge structure [[at]]  $\underline{\text{formed from}}$  at least one site thereof, and

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20% by weight or less of a component whose weight average molecular weight is 1000 or less;

 $\label{eq:component} \mbox{ component (B) is a silicon containing polymer, which } \\ \mbox{comprises:}$ 

an Si-H group,

an Si-O-Si bridge structure [[at]] <u>formed from</u> at least one site thereof, and containing 20% by weight or less of a component whose weight average molecular weight is 1000 or less,

provided that said Si-H group is introduced into the polymer, which is formed by hydrolyzing and condensing an alkoxysilane and/or a chlorosilane, each having no Si-H group, using a reactive functional group Si-OH and/or a reactive functional group Si-Cl:

 $\label{eq:component} \mbox{ component (C) is a silicon containing polymer, which } \\ \mbox{comprises:}$ 

at least one kind of a reactive group A' selected from the group consisting of  $Si-R^1$ ,  $Si-O-R^2$ , and  $Si-R^3-OCOC(R^4)=CH_2$ , wherein  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  each represent an alkenyl group having 2 to 20 carbon atoms which may contain an alkylene group and/or an arylene group,  $R^3$  represents an alkylene group having 1 to 9 carbon atoms and/or an arylene group, and  $R^4$  represents hydrogen or a methyl group, and

an Si-H group,

an Si-O-Si bridge structure [[at]]  $\underline{\text{formed from}}$  at least one site thereof, and

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20% by weight or less of a component whose weight average molecular weight is 1000 or less,

provided that said Si-H group is introduced by allowing a chlorosilane and/or a silanol, each having an Si-H group to react with an SI-OH group and/or an Si-Cl group left after a sol gel reaction of alkoxysilane and/or chlorosilane, each having no Si-H group;[[and]]

component (D) is a platinum-based catalyst;

the total aryl group and arylene group content of the  $\underline{\text{total}}$  silicon containing polymers as components (A), (B), and (C) is 1% to 25% by weight; and

the components (A), (B), and (C) each have a weight average molecular weight of 5,000 to 1,000,000.

## 2. (cancelled)

- 3. (previously presented) The silicon containing curing composition according to claim 1, further comprising a fine metal oxide powder as component (E).
- 4. (previously presented) A cured product obtained by heat curing the silicon containing curing composition according to claim 1.

- 5. (cancelled)
- 6. (previously presented) The silicon containing curing composition according to claim 1, wherein the bridge structure is a configuration selected from the group consisting of a ladder configuration, a cage configuration and a cyclic configuration.
  - 7. (cancelled)
- 8. (previously presented) The silicon containing curing composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition has a viscosity of 2 to 50 Pa·s at  $25^{\circ}$ C.